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Maryland Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts 2014 Summary

The USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service has released the Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts 2014 Summary, according to Dale Hawks, State Statistician, Maryland Field Office. The latest survey included the following commodities:

<u>Apple</u> utilized production is estimated at 41.2 million pounds, up 26 percent from the 2013 estimate. The average yield in Maryland is estimated at 23,000 pounds per acre, 3,600 pounds above the 2013 average yield of 19,400 pounds per acre. Bearing acreage is estimated at 1,800 acres, up 100 acres from last year. The value of utilized production totaled 10.7 million dollars, up 76 percent from 2013.

<u>Peach</u> utilized production is estimated at 3,070 tons, down 14 percent from the 2013 estimate. The average yield is estimated at 4.76 tons per acre, 0.21 tons above the 2013 average yield of 4.55 tons per acre. Bearing acreage is estimated at 800 acres, down 50 acres from last year. The value of utilized production totaled 3.2 million dollars, down 16 percent from 2013.

The Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts 2014 Summary and all other NASS reports are available online at www.nass.usda.gov.

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